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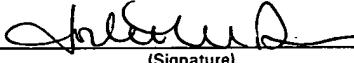
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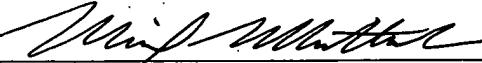
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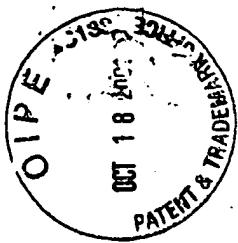
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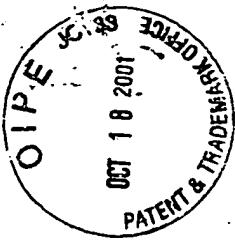
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Applicants submit herewith on Form PTO-1449 a listing of the documents cited by or submitted to the U.S. PTO in parent application Serial No. 09/723,641, filed 03/18/1999. As provided in 37 CFR §1.98(d), copies of the documents are not being provided since they were previously submitted to the United States Patent & Trademark Office in the above-identified parent application.

The submission of any document herewith, which is not a statutory bar, is not intended as an admission that such document constitutes prior art against the claims of the present application or that such document is considered material to patentability as defined in 37 CFR §1.56(b). Applicants do not waive any rights to take any action which would be appropriate to antedate or otherwise remove as a competent reference any document which is determined to be a *prima facie* art reference against the claims of the present application.



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All of the documents are in English.

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